

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 047172/014

In re patent application of

Robert J. Levy *et al.*

Filed: January 19, 2000

Serial No.: 09/487,851

Title: **REVERSE GENE THERAPY**

Group Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: Q. Janice Li

PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF ACTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.103

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for suspension of action on the above-identified application for the following reasons:

1. The subject case is a utility application filed on January 19, 2000, as captioned.
2. To expand on the most recent response filed in the application, the inventors have begun experiments which, they believe, will generate results that vindicate the enabling quality of the subject specification. These experiments involve patch-clamping studies of several stable cell lines which express mutant and wild-type MiRP, respectively. The inventors believe that the studies are predictive of therapeutic potential, as described in the application. The estimated completion date for the experiments is early 2002.

In order to be afforded a fair opportunity to make of record the results of the experimentation described in this petition and thereby advance the instant case to allowance, petitioners respectfully request that action on the case be suspended for a period of SIX MONTHS from the date of grant of the petition.

Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover this petition. While this amount is believed correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

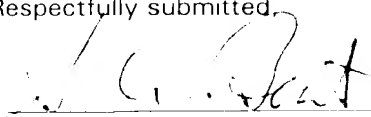
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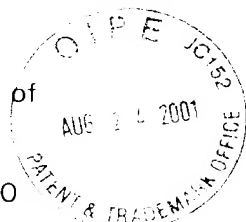
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